



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

San Diego Police Department

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Homicide Unit

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SAN DIEGO POLICE INVESTIGATE OFFICER-INVOLVED SHOOTING IN THE CLAIREMONT MESA EAST COMMUNITY

On Sunday, May 17, 2015, at about 7:40 a.m., uniformed San Diego Police Officers saw a grey late model Jeep traveling an estimated 90 miles per hour on southbound Interstate 805 at State Route 163. A vehicle stop was initiated, but the vehicle failed to yield to the officers' lights and siren and a vehicle pursuit ensued. The officers' lost sight of the suspect vehicle on southbound State Route 163 at the Mesa College exit.

Additional uniformed San Diego Police Officers assisted and the suspect vehicle was found abandoned near the 7700 block of Mesa College Drive. A computer search of the vehicle's license revealed the car potentially had been used in several shootings throughout the City of San Diego over the last several weeks.

A male was seen walking a short distance away from where the abandoned Jeep was found. When officers approached him, a foot chase took place and the male produced a gun and fired at the officers. One San Diego Police Officer chasing the suspect was shot in her upper torso. Other officers at the scene rendered medical aid to the downed officer and ultimately transported her to a nearby hospital where she is listed in stable condition.

Two San Diego Police Officers fired several rounds at the suspect and the suspect was pronounced deceased at the scene. His identity is known but will not be released until a next-of-kin is notified.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to call the Homicide Unit at (619) 531-2293 or Crime Stoppers at (888) 580-8477.

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